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NORTH CASCADES NATIONAL PARK

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National Park Service
Pacific Northwest Region
Cultural Resources Division

Westin Building Room 1920
2001 Sixth Avenue
Seattle, Washington 98121

NAME(S) OF STRUCTURE/SITE <i>BRIDGE CREEK CABIN/RANGER STATION</i> (Building)		DATE OF CONSTRUCTION <i>pre-1926</i>		SITE ID. NO. 			
SITE ADDRESS/LOCATION <i>At Bridge Creek Campground, southwest of Stehekin Valley Road, approx. 16 miles from Stehekin Landing</i>		ADDITION(S)		SCALE <i>1:24000</i>		QUAD NAME <i>McGregor Mountain</i>	
DISTRICT <i>Stehekin</i>		COUNTY <i>Chelan</i>		STATE <i>Washington</i>		UTM ZONE 	
OWNER/ADMIN ADDRESS <i>National Park Service</i>		CONTRIBUTING ☒ NON-CONTRIBUTING		EASTING 		NORTHING 	
				CROSS REFERENCE <i>NOCA Bldg. #84 / IV-7</i>			
				DANGER OF DEMOLITION? (SPECIFY THREAT) ☐ YES ☒ NO ☐ UNKNOWN			
DESCRIPTION AND BACKGROUND HISTORY INCLUDING CONSTRUCTION DATE(S), PHYSICAL DIMENSIONS, MATERIALS, MAJOR ALTERATIONS, IMPORTANT BUILDERS, ARCHITECTS, ENGINEERS, ETC. <i>Cabin. Wood frame set on rocks and wood post foundation; rectangle (17' x 25') with shed-roofed addition on south (6' x 11'); 3 bays wide; 1-story; wide board and batten siding; wood-shingled gable roof with boxed eaves; center entrance on north with wood panel and glass door; center metal stovepipe. Exterior features include single-pane fixed sash with plain surrounds and exterior hinged wood shutters; boarded-up square openings on north and south; horizontal wood board sill. (Some original sash located beneath structure: 4-pane.)</i> <i>Bridge Creek was an active mining area in the late 19th and early 20th century. A large settlement and a post office was established. This cabin was built by a private individual who had a special use permit from the U.S. Forest Service prior to 1926 (located on a 1928 Chelan National Forest map). It is located on an unpatented millsite sometimes referred to as the Bridge Creek or Tiger Millsite. This millsite may have first been located by Daniel Fisher on September 12, 1905. R.A. Rukke, a former claim owner (1965), stated that the Bridge Creek Millsite was acquired from John Stinson who was awarded the claim in a 1920 judgement apparently against Fisher. The cabin was in disrepair when examined in 1964. The NPS has used it as a seasonal ranger station; the front porch was replaced in 1973 and the YCC installed a new shingle roof c. 1976.</i>				CURRENT USE <i>Seasonal Ranger Station</i>		ORIGINAL USE <i>Mining Cabin</i>	

PUBLIC ACCESSIBILITY
☒ YES, LIMITED
☐ NO

☐ YES, UNLIMITED
☐ UNKNOWN

EXISTING SURVEYS
☐ NR

☐ HABS
☐ NHL

☒ LCS
☐ NPS

☐ STATE
☐ COUNTY

☐ LOCAL
☐ OTHER

LOCATED IN AN HISTORIC DISTRICT?
☐ YES
☐ NAME

CONDITION
☐ EXCELLENT
☐ GOOD

☒ FAIR
☐ DETERIORATED

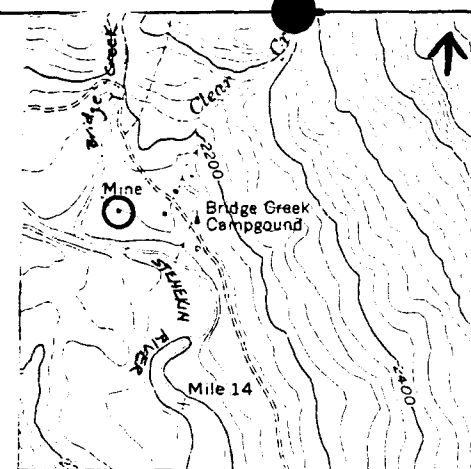
☐ RUINS

SIGNIFICANCE *Eligible under Nat. Reg. Criterion A: for its association with mining (commercial development) in the North Cascades; and under Criterion C: as a distinct type and method of construction. Bridge Creek was an important mining area in the North Cascades. This is one of two early mining cabins that remain in the Stehekin Valley, and is associated with the Bridge Creek mining district. It is board and batten wood-frame construction (unlike the other which is log). It possesses integrity of design, location, materials, setting, workmanship, feeling, and association.*

PHOTOGRAPHS AND SKETCH MAP OF LOCATION



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NEGATIVE NO. GL 21-3-9; GL 33-16-18 HABS/HAER QUALITY

☐ YES

☒ NO

REFERENCES

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